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The Secretary of Defense has referred your letter of 19 November 1948 to me for consideration of the offer of your services.

The factors involved in turning your experience and abilities to use in the national interest of the United States have been carefully reviewed by my staff. Unfortunately, it appears that certain elements in the situation make it impossible for me to accept your assistance under present circumstances. I wish to emphasize that the elements to which I have reference reflect nothing but credit upon yourself.

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the offer which you have made and to assure you that your letter will be set aside for further consideration in the event of changed conditions.

Sincerely,

*Signed & disp*

R. H. HILLENKOTTER  
Rear Admiral, USN  
Director of Central  
Intelligence

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